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**TRANSMITTAL OF SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION**

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Sir:

In connection with the above with-identified patent application, and pursuant to 37 CFR 1.67, applicant encloses a SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION.

Favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

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### SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION

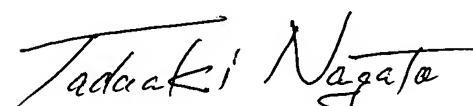
We, Tadaaki Nagata, Akira Omae, and Yoshikazu Ichihara, as the inventors named in the application for letters patent for an improvement entitled REAR GRIP APPARATUS FOR A PERSONAL WATERCRAFT, Serial Number 10/659,719, filed in the United States Patent And Trademark Office on 10 September 2003, hereby declare that the subject matter of the amendment filed on or about 04 November 2004 was part of our invention and was invented by us before the 10 September 2002 filing of Japan Patent Application 2002-264610, from which the U.S. application identified above claims priority.

### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF REVIEW OF PAPERS AND DUTY OF CANDOR**

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims as amended by any amendment referred to above.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).

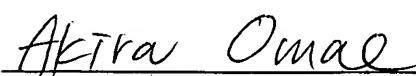
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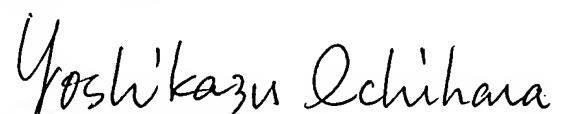
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